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In accordance with the duty of disclosure, enclosed is a completed Form PTO-1449.

Consideration of each of the listed references by the Examiner is respectfully requested. Copies of U.S. patents and U.S. patent application publications are not enclosed in accordance with recently revised 37 CFR §1.98. Applicant respectfully requests that an initialed copy of Form PTO-1449 indicating such consideration be returned with the next Official Action, as set forth in MPEP 609.

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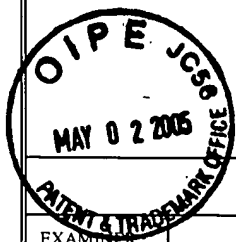
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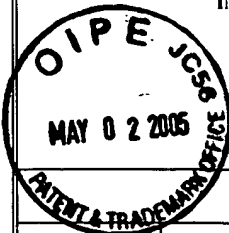
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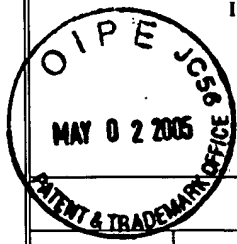
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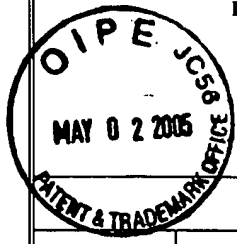
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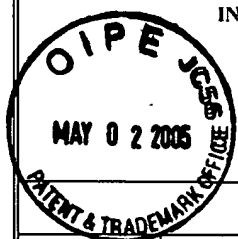
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